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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: RH, PDEV, UK, IC  
SUBJECT: RHODESIA: APPROACH TO HOST GOVERNMENTS

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1. UK AMBASSADOR KENNETH EAST AND I CALLED ON MFA  
PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY HENRIK BJORNSSON SEPTEMBER 6  
TO BRIEF LATTER ON UK RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT PROPOSALS.  
EAST GAVE BJORNSSON COPY OF BRITISH WHITE PAPER ON  
SUBJECT AND COPY OF CHRONOLOGY DESCRIBING BRITISH  
INITIATIVES FOR RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT SINCE 1965.  
EAST THEN SUMMARIZED WHITE PAPER PROPOSALS, NOTING  
THAT IN ADDITION TO STANDARD DECOLONIALIZATION ARRANGE-  
MENTS MADE IN CASE OF OTHER BRITISH DEPENDENT TERRI-  
TORIES, THOSE WITH RESPECT TO RHODESIA INCLUDED  
TWO PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT FEATURES: INVOLVEMENT  
OF UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE AND PROJECTED INTERNATIONAL  
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ASSISTANCE EFFORT FOR INDEPENDENT ZIMBABWE. EAST  
EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION FOR COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY  
NORDIC FOREIGN MINISTERS WITH RESPECT TO RHODESIA  
FOLLOWING THEIR HELSINKI MEETING SEPTEMBER 1-2  
(HELSINKI 1949).

2. SUPPLEMENTING EAST'S REMARKS, I NOTED THAT PROPOSALS

CONTAINED WHITE PAPER REPRESENT UK INITIATIVE WHICH  
U.S. FULLY SUPPORTS IN HOPE THAT FURTHER BLOODSHED  
IN AREA MIGHT BE AVERTED. SETTLEMENT PLAN WAS PRODUCT OF  
SEVERAL MONTHS INTENSIVE U.S. AND UK DISCUSSIONS  
WITH ALL CONCERNED PARTIES. IN OUR VIEW, THEY WERE  
FAIR AND REASONABLE ANSWER TO AFRICAN DEMANDS FOR  
IMMEDIATE INDEPENDENCE OF ZIMBABWE AND TO RHODESIAN  
WHITE COMMUNITY'S CONCERN FOR ITS FUTURE. I CONCLUDED  
BY SAYING THAT I HOPED DOCUMENTATION GOI HAD NOW  
RECEIVED WOULD BE HELPFUL IN FORTHCOMING UNGA.

3. BJORNSSON EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR DOCUMENTATION  
DELIVERED BY EAST AND ASKED FOR ADDITIONAL COPIES  
WHICH UK AMBASSADOR PROMISED PROVIDE. BJORNSSON THEN  
SAID HE HOPED RESPONSE TO WHITE PAPER WOULD BE POSITIVE  
BUT THAT HE WAS PERSONALLY PESSIMISTIC IN VIEW STRONG  
ELECTION VICTORY SMITH HAD WON WHICH COULD CONFIRM HIM  
IN HIS INTRANSIGENCE.  
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